



# Construction Ahead!

## SANBAG begins shift of traffic to newly paved lane

With paving of the Interstate 10 center median complete, crews began moving traffic onto the newly paved stretch of freeway the night of July 7. This shift of eastbound traffic, which involves removing sections of K-rail barrier and restriping the eastbound lanes, will last until the end of July.

Eastbound lane closures during night-time and early morning hours will be in effect to ensure the safety of crews who are moving the concrete K-rail, removing the previous lane striping and painting the new stripes. The lane closures are scheduled to end by 7 a.m. each day.



Once the traffic shift is complete and the temporary barrier rail is moved to the outer freeway shoulder, crews can start the second half of the project. This Phase II work includes further widening of the freeway to accommodate the truck-climbing lane between Ford Street and Live Oak Canyon Road and construction of an auxiliary lane between Ford Street and Yucaipa Boulevard.

Most of the work on the project has taken place at night. Limited space in which to work and shorter working hours have caused some delays in the Phase I work, but crews have been working on weekends and during the day, whenever possible, to keep the project on schedule. Once the traffic shift occurs, there will be construction access to perform work during the daytime.

## Sound walls nearly complete

Masonry block work is nearly complete on the sound wall being built along Hampton Road, north of the freeway in Yucaipa.

Further west, crews have completed the lower retaining wall portion of the wall near Reservoir Road in Redlands. The next step will include building a concrete cap on the top of the retaining wall, then installing masonry block atop this cap. This wall should be complete in September.

The sound walls are designed to reduce noise from the widened freeway for residents who live immediately adjacent to the project limits.

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## Local news media tour freeway construction

Reporters from The Sun, Press-Enterprise, Redlands Daily Facts and Inland California Television Network spent time touring the truck-climbing lane construction sites on July 7 to learn more about the project.

The reporters viewed completed paving of the center median (see photo at right), construction of the concrete center median barrier and progress of sound walls along the freeway near Reservoir Road in Redlands and Hampton Road in Yucaipa.



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### Interstate 10 East Valley Improvements

#### We're listening ...

**S**ANBAG has a helpline for construction activity on Interstate 10. Please call 889-8611 x102 to leave a message to ask questions about current or upcoming work. Callers should not use the helpline to report emergencies. For emergency situations, please call 911.



#### Utility relocation underway on Outer Highway 10 South

**T**he relocation of telecommunication fiber optic cables along Outer Highway 10 South began in mid-June as part of the truck-climbing lane project. Caltrans has been overseeing this work, which is expected to last six to eight weeks.

Intermittent flagging operations for vehicles on Outer Highway 10 South, west of Knoll Drive, is required, with possible traffic delays on this street.

AT&T and Verizon have completed the removal and replacement of cable lines. A subcontractor for SBC has begun work for the relocation of cable, which will include digging, installing conduit, backfilling trenches and performing other cable work in various locations along the freeway shoulder and at the west end of Outer Highway 10 South.



#### Freeway Service Patrol offers help to more than 2,000 motorists during first six months

**S**ince the start of the I-10 Freeway Service Patrol on January 5, contract tow truck drivers have offered assistance to 2,179 motorists near the freeway construction zone in Redlands and Yucaipa.

During its first six months of operation, from January 5 to June 30, the free roving tow service has been very responsive to motorists' needs, said Michelle Kirkhoff, director of air quality/mobility programs for SANBAG.

Armada Towing, which is under contract to SANBAG for this service, provides aid to stranded motorists during peak commute hours. The roving tow service operates under the jurisdiction of the CHP to provide help during peak commute hours, 5 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Of the 2,179 offers to help, 780 (36%) of the motorists declined the service, due to help already being on the way or not needed. The remaining 1,399 travelers were helped with:

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| ■ 367 flat tires            | ■ 87 abandoned vehicles              |
| ■ 360 mechanical breakdowns | ■ 78 instances of debris in the road |
| ■ 180 overheated vehicles   | ■ 66 electrical problems             |
| ■ 132 empty gas tanks       | ■ 4 other problems                   |
| ■ 125 accidents             |                                      |

On average, the drivers, brothers Joshua and Jason Pallas, completed their service in eight minutes and 52 seconds.

FSP vehicles are marked with the FSP logo below the Armada Towing emblem on both truck doors (see logo at right). Tow truck drivers wear vests printed with the FSP logo and carry identification. Drivers do not accept payment or tips for their assistance.

For information, call the helpline at 889-8611 x102 or email [fsp@sanbag.ca.gov](mailto:fsp@sanbag.ca.gov).



#### Measure I qualifies for November ballot

**F**ollowing unanimous approval by the cities and SANBAG's Board of Directors, county supervisors directed the Registrar of Voters to place Measure I on the November 2 ballot.

This action will allow voters to consider continuing the county's half-cent sales tax for transportation improvements beyond its 2010 expiration date.

If approved, Measure I would fund a number of projects, such as further widening of I-10 from Ontario to Yucaipa, new freeway entrances and exits at Wabash, Live Oak Canyon and Wildwood Canyon, improvements to Lugonia, Barton and Yucaipa Boulevard, as well as repairs to local streets countywide.